

# Coming up in Phase 2...

As we enter phase 2 of the Vitality Pathway, we excitedly anticipate more church participation. Much of phase 1 has consisted of extensive behind the scenes research on the part of the Vitality team. This month's newsletter will have individual reports from each member of the Vitality team and their progress/activities so far.

## Sermon Series

Beginning in September, Pastor Kevin will be preaching on the Healthy Missional Markers. This sermon series will prepare our hearts and minds for the Pulse assessment that will be circulated later on in Phase 2 following the Service of Consecration. If you are interested in learning more about the Healthy Missional Markers and what they are, there is a handout you are welcome to take from the Vitality booth in the lobby.



EPIC is a follow-up workshop to Veritas which will be held on September 28 from 9 am to 3:30 pm. It provides tools for understanding and implementing the dynamics of Healthy Missional change. It helps leaders to grow in wisdom and courage in matters related to the transition process. EPIC is intended to be a meeting for strategically picked people who represent the leadership of the congregation.

Those in attendance will be: Barry Lynch, Matt Christiansen, Pastor Kevin, Paula Holmen, Mike Erickson, Sara Barber, Mitch Barber, Beth Gronli, Adam Gronli, Dan Johnson, Kevin Lindquist, Troy Haverly, Les Graham and Chris Hofstad.

## Service of Consecration

On January 12, we will host a Service of Consecration, a "heart check", where there will be a time of confession, prayer, repentance, congregational healing, and commitment to keep moving forward in the pathway. This is the dividing line between churches that truly want to go all the way with God and those churches that are content to stay where they are. This is the time when the heart of the church is truly revealed and tested.



Pulse is a vitality assessment tool centered on the 10 Healthy Missional Markers for Covenant Churches. Pulse provides a deeper diagnostic using Veritas language. It also measures the vision, intention and means of the local church. Analysis of attendance and financial records of the church is also presented. Pulse is a survey that can be taken by every attendee of the church (12 years and older) and will be made available following the Service of Consecration.